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PATENT  
(5298-08000/PM01040)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Application of:  
Ramkumar

Serial No. 10/074,884

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: SEMICONDUCTOR TOPOGRAPHY  
INCLUDING A THIN OXIDE-NITRIDE  
STACK AND METHOD FOR MAKING  
THE SAMEGroup Art Unit: 2826  
Examiner: Fazli Erdem

Atty. Dkt. No. 5298-08000

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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 22, 2003****Box: Non-Fee Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003 to further highlight reasons why the application is in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.